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Applicants: Alireza Rezania, et al.

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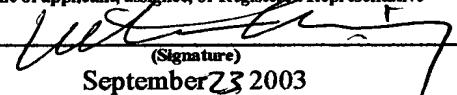
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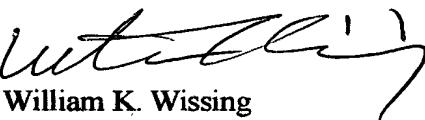
**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AUTHORIZATION  
TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT THEREFOR**

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated June 1, 2003 for one (1) month(s) from September 1, 2003 to October 1, 2003. A Response is attached and timely filed.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 10-0750/ETH1432/WKW in the name of Johnson & Johnson for the cost of filing this Petition. Three copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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